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Once again, the next to the last month of the year has sneaked up on us.

November is a month of memories and historic dates. Perhaps the most memorable date, for Americans, is November 11th, when the Armistice ending World War I went into effect at eleven o'clock on that morning, in 1918. World War I, with its slaughter of the masses of infantry, brought about the recognition of Unknown Soldiers.

In France and in Great Britain, an Unknown Soldier was buried with appropriate honors, at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris and in Westminster Abbey in London in 1920. The next year, on Armistice Day, the body of an Unknown American Soldier was buried in Arlington Cemetery.

We have tried to remember the many soldiers who were killed in this war. A cenotaph was erected in a public square in London and in Paris a perpetual flame was lighted over the tomb beneath the famous arch. In the United States, a perpetual guard is on duty at the tomb, night and day.

Thanksgiving Day, of course, is the principal holiday of November, and the grandest of the autumnal season. It is, in reality, a national religious festival in thanksgiving for the many blessings bestowed upon us. This year, Thanksgiving falls on the 28th, somewhat late, so that less than four weeks separate Thanksgiving and Christmas.

November, then, is a nostalgic, thanksgiving month, when the end of the old year comes into sight.

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THE COURAGE TO LIVE

A newspaper article recently reminded us that man's greatest possession is his faith and courage to live and achieve.

The newspaper article referred to Jack Hayes, a leading citizen of Clanton, Alabama. Hayes, as some sportsmen might remember, was once a star second baseman for the Washington Senators and later for the Chicago White Sox. Then, when he began to miss grounders and his batting average fell off, he went to a doctor only to discover that he was losing his sight. He subsequently went completely blind. He returned to his home but refused to give up.

He was active in many things and was elected county tax collector, holding the position for twelve years. He ran an automobile agency and went into the real estate business.

Grateful baseball fans had donated $6,000 on one night to insure the education of his son, and that is to be used soon, since his son is about ready to enter college.

However, the best part of the story is yet to come. Hayes, getting on surprisingly well, decided he needed to take up sports again. He was not interested in taking them up for pay but for recreation.

Accordingly, the blind citizen of Clanton, Alabama, began practicing with a golf club. He became surprisingly accurate with the clubs. Not long ago he entered the National Blind Golfers' Tournament, which was held in Birmingham, Alabama. Although he had been playing only a short time, he came in seventh and today is enjoying golf tremendously. All of which should remind you, as it does us, that our handicaps and our troubles can always be overcome to a large degree. Faith, courage and the will to win will do the job.

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VOTE NEXT TUESDAY

On next Tuesday, November 5, Virginia voters will participate in one of the most important state elections in our generation. Voters will select a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General and members of the House of Delegates.

It is rare that in such an important election, the issue is limited to a single problem. However, the debate in the campaign now closing has been confined largely to one issue. That concern the problem of what Virginia can do to maintain its sovereignty as a State and what can be done to maintain our way of life in the face of determined Federal efforts to force the mixing of the races. The people of Virginia are justly proud of the spirit of goodwill and cooperation which has existed in our State between the races. In an accelerated manner, the people of the Negro race in Virginia have in our times made tremendous strides forward and are a vital factor in our economy and civilization. Virginia has every desire to maintain both the spirit of goodwill and the pace of advancement of our important Negro population. And the mere fact that such great strides have been made, is testimony to the way of life in our Commonwealth.

The Democratic Party in Virginia, under experienced leadership, has given our State good government, sound administration, and has met critical problems with foresight, skill and acumen. The Party and its candidates merit a tremendous vote of confidence.

Contrary to the challenge of the opposing party candidates, the Democratic Party in Virginia DOES have a plan as how to meet the vital school issue in Virginia. That plan is to use every legal means possible to keep our schools as they are. If one plan doesn't work, then another will be tried. Reversals in court, if they come, will be answered with to preserve our heritage.

ditional way of life and to continue understanding between the races. The people of Virginia want NO violence. They want to abide by duly enacted laws. But they intend to put in power men experienced in government who will work unceasingly to use every legal and proper way new approaches. But Virginia will keep up its effort to maintain its tra-

We have great and abiding confidence in the experience and leadership of the Democratic Party in Virginia. The nominees of that party merit your support in next Tuesday's election.

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Hard work never kills anybody, they say, but, occasionally it wears us down.

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It is always well to remember that big words do not always convey big thoughts.

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life would be much simpler if we didn't try to make people think we're something we are not.

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Neither wealth nor position makes a man a gentleman; neither does poverty prevent a man from being a gentleman.

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Good Advice: Pay your debts. Then you will be better prepared for the future, whatever it presents.

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When you run into chronic worrier, you are wasting time on a loafer. Busy people have little time for crying out loud.

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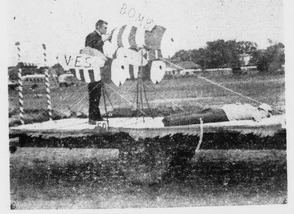
Winning Float of F. F. A.



Kinckle Martin, president of the local F. F. A. Chapter makes a last minute inspection of the Future Farmer float which won first place in the recent A. H. S. homecoming float parade. The float was planned and constructed by members of the Robert E. Lee Chapter, Future Farmers of America of Appomattox High School.

Rising labor costs and big taxes are the primary causes of "the current inflationary push," according to a new study of wage price and profit trends in industry made by the National Association of Manufacturers.

The United Nations General Assembly has barred the door to Red China for at least another year, over the bitter opposition of India and the Soviet bloc.

The development of a radar device that can detect intercontinental missiles 3,000 miles away has been announced by the Air Force Chief of Staff.

President Tito of Yugoslavia has strongly supported Poland's claim to keep the Oder-Neisse territories taken from Germany at the end of the war.

Appomattox County Republican Committee

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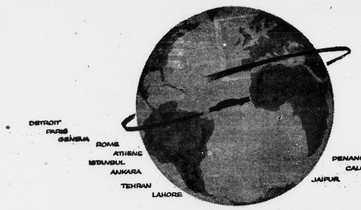

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The Ford powered over the great mountain ranges of three continents: from the Alps to the Himalayas and the Rockies. It crossed the great rivers of history: the Thames, the Seine, the Tiber, the Arno, the Tigris, the Euphrates, the Indus, the Ganges.

This car stood at Buckingham Palace, rolled up the Champs Elysees to the Arc de Triomphe, and paused at the Eiffel Tower. It was greeted by the great Paris couturiers at the famous fashion salons where its "sculptured in steel" styling was applauded by the most style-conscious audience in the world.

The 58 Ford rode smoothly down the rugged, beautiful seacoast of Tito's country, to a festival in Dubrovnik, and into Greece to Athens, where this newest classic met such ancient classics as the Parthenon and the Temple of Poseidon.

Into Turkey: and the 58 Ford passed the great white lacework palaces of the Sultans along the Bosporus and the Golden Horn. Then the Ford went where few but nomads travel, up into the hot days and chill nights of the ancient mountains of Afghanistan. And thence along the route Alexander the Great followed with his chariots to cross the historic Indus river.

On and on the Ford moved, down into the heat of mysterious India, through New Delhi to the Taj Mahal, and to the great pink palace of the Maharajah of Jaipur.

This great new car met the challenge of the monsoons—rains that for centuries have stopped all road movement throughout Indo-China, but didn't stop the 58 Ford. It drove on to Penang in Malaya, and then north to Bangkok.

Further on came Saigon, the Paris of the Orient, at the farthest tip of Southeast Asia. Finally, it powered across the great Rockies and plains of North America and back, at long last, to Detroit, Michigan.

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CREDIT CRISIS?

Is a credit crisis equal to that of the depression years of 1930 shaping up at the present time? According to the National Industrial Conference Board, it says three groups are in serious financial straits: the young and would-be buyers with insufficient investment, low income farmers and small business men, who, coupled with advice, and farmers who are victims of natural disasters, such as droughts, floods and the like.

SEWARD'S 'ICEBOX'

Just 90 years ago on Oct. 18, the United States took over the huge and strategic territory of Alaska from Russia, having paid the Russians the sum of $7,200,000. While the deal was greeted with much grumbling in this country, the 586,400 square mile possession has paid off well. Today the territory is ringed by an electronic fence designed to warn this country if an enemy nation should attempt a hostile move on North American shores.

AIR FORCE ACADEMY

The first full-sized entering class of 712 cadets is expected by the Air Force at the Air Force Academy near Colorado Springs, Colo., in 1959. The academy, now under construction, will be opened for use next summer. This will permit the original class, which began training at the temporary academy at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, to graduate from the permanent site.

NEVADA GAMBLING

Gambling house winnings in Nevada during April, May and June, totaled $35,000,000, or $5,500,000 more than they won in the same period last year, and only $4,000,000 less than the record winning season of July, August, September, 1956. Las Vegas accounted for about 60 per cent of the increasing gambling take, with a $3,500,000 jump.

AF HURRICANE PROJECT

The Pentagon has announced that three Air Force planes will be withdrawn from a hurricane research program because the aircraft are needed elsewhere and because of lack of funds. The planes would be withdrawn from the national hurricane research project at West Palm Beach, Fla., by November 15.

CONSTRUCTION

The construction industry will score dollar volume records of about $47.5 billion this year and $49 billion next year, it is predicted. An increase of about 80,000 housing starts over the 1,000,000 for 1957 is seen as possible. Other private construction is expected to hold its own while public construction will continue to boom, with the only weakness being in military building.

FARM LABOR

Government reports show that the use of farm labor has been declining over the recent years and the purchase of farm machinery has been increasing. While the cost of machinery is up, it is said the cost of hired farm labor has increased more this year than has the cost of machinery.

NEW MARKETS

Approximately $35,000,000 has been set aside by the Government for use in efforts to develop new markets for farm products abroad. The program will involve 26 countries and the money for it was obtained through sale of Government owned farm surpluses abroad for foreign currencies. No American dollars will be used.

WAR PRISONERS

A recent survey by the United Nations has revealed that the Russians still hold more than 150,000 war prisoners of World War II. Of these, approximately 119,000 are German soldiers and civilians, 46,000 Japanese, 900 Italian. All of these were taken to Russia except for 34,000 Japanese held by Red China.

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